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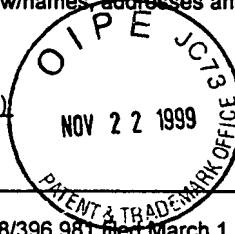
Description
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Name of
Applicants: Naoyasu MIYAGAWA, et al.

Application No.: Continuation Application of S.N. 08/396,981 filed March 1, 1995

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In re the Application of

Inventors: Naoyasu MIYAGAWA, et al.

Prior Art Unit: 2753

Application No.: Continuation Application
of Serial No. 08/396,981,
filed March 1, 1995

Prior Examiner: N. Hindi

Filed: November 22, 1999

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CONTINUATION REISSUE APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Sir:

Attached is a continuation application of reissue application no. 08/396,981. This continuation reissue application is being filed under the provisions of Rule 53. The following documents form a part of this submission:

1. A true copy of the parent reissue application including:

Twenty-three (23) page specification

Eighty-three (83) claims

Eighteen (18) sheets of informal drawings (Figs. 1-2, 3A-3B, 4A-4B, 5-8,
9A-9B, 10-17 and 18A-18B)

Abstract

2. Preliminary Amendment
3. Information Disclosure Statement with PTO-1449
4. Confirmation Claim for Priority
5. PTO Rule 53(f) Letter

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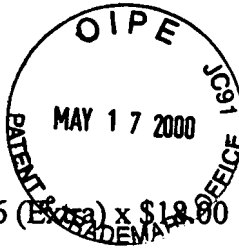
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Independent Claims 8 (Filed) - 3 (Allowed) = 5 (Extra) x \$78.00

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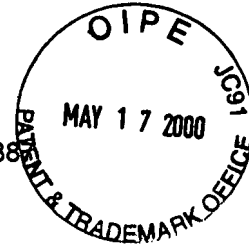
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Sir:

Attached is a Reissue Continuation Application of Serial No. 08/396,981 filed March 1, 1995 which is being filed without a signed Declaration under the provisions of 37 CFR §1.53. The names, addresses and citizenship of the inventors are as follows:

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The Declaration will be filed within the time specified for such filing.

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CONFIRMATION CLAIM FOR PRIORITY

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Sir:

The benefit of the filing date of the following foreign application filed in the following foreign country and priority provided in the 35 USC §119 have been claimed for the above-identified application:

**JAPANESE PATENT APPLICATION NO. 02-212537
FILED August 9, 1990**

**JAPANESE PATENT APPLICATION NO. 02-285006
FILED October 22, 1990**

**JAPANESE PATENT APPLICATION NO. 03-044798
FILED March 11, 1991**

Certified copies of these priority documents were filed on February 6, 1992 in parent application serial no. 07/740,629 filed August 5, 1991 (USPN 5,235,581, issued August 10, 1993), and acknowledged by the Patent Office in paper no. 4 (mailed August 17, 1992) of the parent application.

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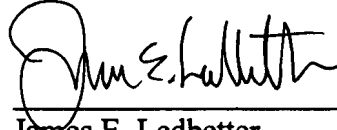
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It is requested that the file of this application be marked to indicate that the requirements of 35 USC §119 have been fulfilled and that the Patent and Trademark Office kindly acknowledge receipt of these papers.

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